

**Annual 47 C.F.R. § 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification**  
**EB Docket 06-36**

**Annual 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification for:** 2018

**Date filed:** February 5, 2019

**Name of company covered by this certification:** La Harpe Telephone Company, Inc.

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**Name of signatory:** Harry Lee, Jr.

**Title of signatory:** President

I, Harry Lee, Jr., certify that I am an officer of the company named above, and acting as an agent of the company, that I have personal knowledge that the company has established operating procedures that are adequate to ensure compliance with the Commission's CPNI rules. *See 47 C.F.R. § 64.2001 et seq.*

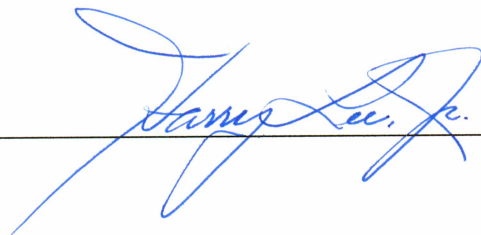
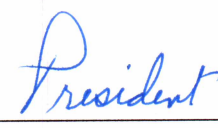
Attached to this certification is an accompanying statement explaining how the company's procedures ensure that the company is in compliance with the requirements (including those mandating the adoption of CPNI procedures, training, recordkeeping, and supervisory review) set forth in section 64.2001 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules.

The company has not taken actions (i.e., proceedings instituted, or petitions filed by a company at either state commissions, the court system, or at the Commission) against data brokers in the past year.

The company has not received any customer complaints in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI.

The company represents and warrants that the above Certification is consistent with 47 C.F.R. Section 1.17 which requires truthful and accurate statements to the Commission. The company also acknowledges that false statements and misrepresentations to the Commission are punishable under Title 18 of the U.S. Code and may subject it to enforcement action.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attachments:** Accompanying Statement explaining CPNI procedures  
Explanation of actions taken against data brokers (if applicable)  
Summary of customer complaints (if applicable)



**Annual 47 C.F.R. Section 64.2009(e) Customer Proprietary Network Information**  
**(CPNI) Operating Procedures Compliance Statement**  
**EB Docket 06-36**

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- A. Notice to customers of their right to restrict use of, disclosure of, and access to their CPNI is provided prior to solicitation for customer approval.
- B. All Company employees will be trained annually on the Operating Procedures for properly safeguarding all CPNI. The Company holds occasional training sessions for employees reviewing when they are and are not authorized to use or disclose CPNI, followed by a supervisory review process regarding compliance with CPNI rules. The Company also sends, via company email or other methods the Company choose to employ, information to employees relating to CPNI compliance.
- C. Every employee of the Company has a duty to protect the confidentiality of CPNI. A violation of the Company's operating procedures will result in disciplinary action. For a first violation, an employee will be given a warning and the violation will be noted on the employee's record. An employee will be subject to termination of employment for a second violation.
- D. The Company maintains records of our own and our affiliates' sales and marketing endeavors that use customer CPNI, including instances where CPNI was disclosed or provided to third parties, or where third parties were allowed access to CPNI. Our records describe the event, the specific CPNI that was used in the event, and what products and services were offered as a part of the marketing and sales event. The Company retains records for a minimum of one year.
- E. The Company has established a review process for ensuring compliance with CPNI rules related to marketing activities. The Company's sales force and marketing personnel obtains approval of requests for CPNI information. Specifically, use of CPNI obtained from the Company's provision of one service category to market a second service category to individuals or businesses that are not already customers of that second service category is strictly prohibited.
- F. For safeguarding CPNI, the Company employs reasonable measures to discover and protect against attempts to gain unauthorized access to CPNI. Company employees follow procedures designed to authenticate all customers prior to disclosing CPNI based on customer-initiated telephone contact or in person visits.
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- H. In establishing a password, the Company authenticates the customer without the use of readily available biographical information, or account information. The Company has a back-up plan in the event of a lost or forgotten password, however if a customer cannot provide the correct password or the correct response for the back-up authentication method, the customer must establish a new password.

- I. As required by CPNI rules and as outlined in the Company's operating procedures, law enforcement notification procedures are strictly adhered to. Should any breach of CPNI integrity be discovered, the Company will develop and maintain a record as to the date of the breach discovery, who discovered the breach, and the resulting notifications to the United States Secret Service and the Federal Bureau of Investigation later than 7 days from the date of the discovery of the breach. The records of these discovered breaches will be maintained and held by the Company for no less than (3) years.

**Company:** La Harpe Telephone Company, Inc.

**Signed:** 

**Date:** 2/5/2019



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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Harry Lee, Jr.

Signed Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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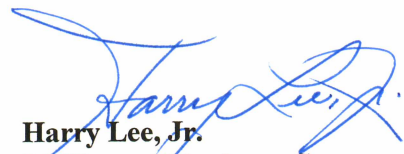
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**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING YOUR ACCOUNT**

From time to time, LaHarpe Telephone Co., Inc. changes its service offerings and makes available additional features and services which may enhance and augment the services to which you are already subscribed. In order for us to determine which customers may benefit from the new services and enhancements, we will use information about your account that is within our database, legally referred to as Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI), unless you restrict that use in the manner described below. CPNI includes information such as which long-distance carrier and plan you are subscribed to, the associated charges for those plans, and information contained in your monthly bill. Use of this data will allow LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. to tailor our service offerings to your individual needs.

For this purpose, CPNI data will be used by LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. and affiliates only. This data will not be shared by LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. with any outside source except as necessary and required to provide the services to which you are already subscribed and unless we are legally compelled to.

You have the right under federal law to protect the confidentiality of your account information and restrict the use of CPNI data, and we have the responsibility to protect your data. To restrict the use of your CPNI data, you must call the business office at 620-496-2291 during regular business hours or email us at [harry.lee@laharpetel.com](mailto:harry.lee@laharpetel.com) within 30 days of your receipt of this notice to request that we NOT utilize your CPNI data. Your approval or denial of approval for the use of CPNI outside of the service to which you already subscribe will remain valid until you revoke or limit the approval or denial.



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## **Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI)**

### **Purpose**

1. These operating procedures are designed to ensure compliance with the FCC's CPNI rules (47 CFR 64.2001-64.2011) per Section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.
2. This operating procedure will govern the process of handling customer requests related to CPNI.
3. Annually review CPNI policy statement with all employees.
4. Annually file CPNI compliance filings with the FCC.
5. Definitions related to FCC CPNI rules are contained in Part 64.2003.

### **Customer Notification**

1. Every two years, the Company will notify and inform each Customer of his or her right to restrict the use or disclosure of, and access to, CPNI along with a solicitation of optout approval.
2. The Company will maintain records of that notification, whether oral or written, for at least one year.
3. The notification will provide information sufficient to enable our Customers to make informed decisions as to whether to permit the use or disclosure of, or access to, their CPNI.
4. The notice will contain a statement that the Customer has a right, and we have a duty, under federal law, to protect the confidentiality of their CPNI.
5. The notice will specify the types of information that constitute CPNI and the specific entities that will receive CPNI, describe the purposes for which the CPNI will be used, and inform the Customer of his or her right to disapprove those uses and deny or withdraw access to CPNI use at any time. With regard to the latter, we indicate that any approval, or disapproval, will remain in effect until the Customer affirmatively revokes or limits such approval or denial.
6. The Company will advise the Customer of the precise steps the Customer must take in order to grant or deny access to CPNI and clearly state that a denial of approval will not affect the provision of any services to which the Customer subscribes.
7. The statement will be in a clear and neutral language, which describes the consequences directly resulting from the lack of access to CPNI. In addition, we may state that the Customer's consent to use his or her CPNI may enhance our ability to offer products and services tailored to meet the Customer's needs and that we will disclose the Customer's CPNI to any person upon the affirmative written request of the Customer.
8. For non-English speaking customers, should portions of a notice be translated into another language, then all portions of the notice are translated into that language.
9. The notification will not include any statement that attempts to encourage a Customer to freeze third-party access to CPNI.
10. New Customers will be verbally notified at the time of the request for service.
11. In addition, a CPNI statement will be included in our new customer Welcome Packets.

### **Use of CPNI**

1. The Company will use, disclose or permit access to CPNI to protect our rights, property, Customers, and other carriers from fraudulent, abusive or unlawful use of, or subscription to, our services.

2. The Company will use, disclose or permit access to CPNI to provide or market service offerings among the different categories of service — local, interexchange, etc. to which the Customer already subscribes.
3. When the Company provides different categories of service, and a Customer subscribes to more than one service category, we share the Customer's CPNI with the affiliate that provides service to the Customer; but if a Customer subscribes to only one service category, we do not share the Customer's CPNI with an affiliate without the Customer's approval.
4. We use, disclose or permit access to CPNI derived from our provision of local exchange or interexchange service for the provision of CPE and call answering, voice mail or messaging, voice storage and retrieval services, and protocol conversion, without Customer approval.
5. Without Customer approval, we do not use, disclose or permit access to CPNI to provide or market service offerings within a category of service to which the Customer does not already subscribe, except that we use, disclose or permit access to CPNI to do the following:
  - A. Provide inside wiring installation, maintenance and repair services.
  - B. Services such as, but not limited to, speed dialing, computer-provided directory assistance, all monitoring, call tracing, call blocking, call return, repeat dialing, call tracking, call waiting, caller ID, call forwarding, and certain Centrex features.
6. The Company will not use, disclose or permit access to CPNI to identify or track Customers that call competing service providers. For example, as a local exchange carrier we do not use local service CPNI to track Customers that call local service competitors.
7. Should our company provide CMRS or VoIP services, we will comply with Part 64.2005(b) as these rules relate to these services.

#### **Approval or Disapproval of CPNI**

1. We honor a Customer's approval or disapproval until the Customer revokes or limits such approval or disapproval.
2. Subject to "opt-out" approval requirements, we use a Customer's individually identifiable CPNI to market communications-related services to that Customer and we disclose that CPNI to our affiliates that provide communications-related services. We also allow these to obtain access to such CPNI to market communications-related services.
3. Under the Commission's "Notice Requirements Specific to Opt-Out" provisions, we will wait a minimum of 30 days after giving customers notice and an opportunity to opt-out before assuming customer approval to use, disclose, or permit access to CPNI.
4. In addition, we will notify customers every two (2) years should we use the Opt-Out mechanism.
5. Other Opt-Out provisions per Part 64.2008(d) will be followed.
6. If we disclose or allow access to Customers' individually identifiable CPNI to our affiliates, we will require, in order to safeguard that information, confidentiality agreements that:
  - A. Require our affiliates' use of the CPNI only for the purpose of marketing or providing the communications-related services for which the CPNI has been provided.
  - B. Disallow their permitting any other party to use, allow access to, or disclose the CPNI to any other party, unless they are required to make disclosure under force of law.
  - C. Require that they have in place appropriate protections to ensure the ongoing confidentiality of the CPNI.



### **Customer Authentication for Call Detail**

1. Since the release of call detail information over the telephone presents an immediate risk to privacy, the Company is prohibited from releasing call detail information based on customer-initiated telephone contact, except under four circumstances:
  - A. When a customer provides a pre-established password.
  - B. When a customer requests that the information is sent to the customer's address of record.
  - C. When a representative of our company calls the telephone number of record and discloses the information.
  - D. At retail locations, we may continue to provide account access to customers who present valid photo IDs.
2. Password protection is not required for routine customer care procedures regarding service/billing disputes or questions if the customer is able to provide all of the call detail information necessary to address the customer question (i.e., telephone number called, when it was called, amount charged for the call).
3. In addition, the Company will provide mandatory password protection for online account access. Online access based solely on a customer's readily available biographical information is prohibited. However, the Company is not required to reinitialize existing passwords for online customer accounts.

### **Establishing a Password**

1. For existing customers, the Company must first authenticate the customer by either calling the account number on record or the customer presenting a valid photo id, in person at any retail location.
2. For a new customer, the Company may establish a password at the time of service initiation and the customer may be authenticated at that time.

### **Customer Account Authentication**

1. We will authenticate the customer for their protection and confirm the person we are speaking with is the account holder. Authentication may include, but is not limited to the following:
  - A. Last four digits of the Social Security Number.
  - B. Mother's maiden name.
  - C. City of birth.
  - D. Year of birth.
  - E. Childhood pet.
  - F. Other names listed on the account.
2. We will not discuss the following account information with a spouse, child, parent, etc.; unless they are authorized by the account holder. Account information may include, but is not limited to, the following:
  - A. Name
  - B. Address.
  - C. Phone Number.
  - D. ESN.
  - E. Billings or changes.
  - F. Balance due or payment status.

3. A maximum of four authorized contacts may be added to the account by the authorized account holder.
4. All documents, notes, and printed materials with customer information will be shredded and disposed of properly. This may include, but is not limited to the following:
  - A. Social Security Number.
  - B. Customer's name, address, phone number.
  - C. Copy of bill or remittance slip.

#### **Law Enforcement**

1. All requests for customer account or billing information will be directed to the Human Resources Manager or another member of the Human Resources Department.

#### **Notice of Account Changes**

1. The Company must notify a customer immediately of account activity, such as a change to a password, online account, or address of record. Notification may be sent by email, voicemail, text message, or US Mail to the customer's address of record.

#### **Notice of Unauthorized Disclosure or Breach of CPNI**

1. If there has been a breach of CPNI, the Company must provide electronic notification of the breach within seven business days to the United States Secret Service ("USSS") and the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"). (The FCC will provide a link for the reporting of breaches at [www.fcc.gov/eb/CPNI/](http://www.fcc.gov/eb/CPNI/).) In order to allow law enforcement time to conduct an investigation, the Company must wait another seven business days before notifying the affected customers of the breach (unless the USSS and FBI request that the carrier continue to postpone disclosure). However, the Company may notify customers sooner if there is a risk of immediate and irreparable harm. In addition, we must keep records of discovered breaches for at least two years.

#### **Joint Venture and Independent Contractor Use of CPNI**

1. The Company must obtain opt-in consent from a customer before disclosing a customer's CPNI to a joint venture partner or an independent contractor for the marketing of communications-related services to the customer.

#### **Business Customers**

1. The Company may establish contract authentication procedures for business customers that are different from residential customers, so long as those customers have a dedicated account representative and the contracts specifically address the protection of CPNI.



### CPNI Compliance

1. The Company has implemented a system by which the status of a Customer's CPNI approval can be clearly established prior to the use of the CPNI.
2. We have trained our personnel as to when they are and are not authorized to use CPNI.
3. Any unauthorized use, sale, or otherwise disclosure of CPNI by any employee would subject the employee to disciplinary action. For the first violation, an employee will be given a warning and the violation will be noted on the employee's record. An employee will be subject to termination of employment for a second violation.
4. The Company employees will sign a CPNI Policy Acknowledgement that will be placed in the employee's personnel file.
5. The Company maintains a record of our own and our affiliates' sales and marketing campaigns that use Customers' CPNI. The record includes a description of each campaign, the specific CPNI that was used in the campaign, and what products and services were offered as part of the campaign. We retain these records for at least one year.
6. Notification records and approval or disapproval records need to be retained for at least one year
7. The Company has established a supervisory review process regarding compliance with the CPNI rules for outbound marketing situations and we maintain compliance records for at least one year. Specifically, our sales personnel obtain supervisory approval of any proposed outbound marketing request for Customer approval of the use of CPNI.
8. The Company has a corporate officer who acts as agent for the Company and signs a compliance certificate on an annual basis before March 1 of each year in EB Docket No. 06-36 stating that the officer has personal knowledge that the Company has established operating procedures adequate to ensure compliance with applicable CPNI rules. We provide a statement accompanying the certificate that explains our operating procedures and demonstrates compliance with the CPNI rules. In addition, we will include an explanation of any actions taken against data brokers and a summary of all customer complaints received in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI.

Company: La Harpe Telephone Company, Inc.

Officer: 

Date: 2/5/2019



## **Company/Customer Complaint Records**

### **Action taken by the Company against employees/data brokers for unauthorized release of CPNI**

There were no actions taken against anyone by the Company during the 2018 calendar year.

### **Customer complaints received by the Company for unauthorized release of CPNI**

No customer complaints concerning the unauthorized release of customer proprietary network information was received during the calendar year 2018.

**Company:** La Harpe Telephone Company, Inc.

**Signed:** 

**Date:** 2/5/2019

